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## FREE ONLINE TRAINING TO HELP JOB SEEKERS FIND WORK FROM HOME JOBS

The Literacy Center Introduces "How to Find a Work From Home Job" to Help Lehigh Valley Unemployed

ALLENTOWN, PA, May 2020 – The Literacy Center (TLC) is launching a new online class focused on helping unemployed individuals find remote jobs during the COVID-19 pandemic. The live, interactive, instructor-led class is provided to participants completely free of charge and is part of the new Work From Home (WFH) Program Series.

The "How to Find a Work From Home (WFH) Job" course was developed in response to the rapidly rising unemployment rate in the Lehigh Valley community. Newly released statistics show 1.7 million Pennsylvanians have filed for unemployment since March and the state has already paid out nearly 3 times the amount of unemployment compensation than it did for the entire year of 2019. On May 6<sup>th</sup>, Governor Wolf identified that roughly 1 in 6 Pennsylvanians who are currently able to work do not have a job. Some have been furloughed and will soon return to work, but many others lost their jobs permanently due to Covid-19 related company closures.

"Because remote work is attracting more Lehigh Valley workers than ever before, there is a lot of competition for these jobs," says Jen Doyle, Executive Director of The Literacy Center. "It's a different process than finding and applying for a traditional job. This class will help individuals locate work from home jobs, customize their resumes and cover letters, and prepare for the virtual interview."

The 10-hour "How to Find a Work From Home (WFH) Job" program will begin on May 18<sup>th</sup>. Graduates of the program will be eligible for virtual one-on-one sessions with our Career Counselor who will aid them in their job search and career development. Attendance at one of the following online information sessions is required for participation in the program:

Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> 10:00am Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm

To register for an information session or learn more about the program, contact Erin Anderson at 610.435.0680 or <a href="mailto:earn@theliteracycenter-lv.org">earn@theliteracycenter-lv.org</a>.

**About The Literacy Center** 



The Literacy Center's mission is to deliver high-quality instruction, training and support for Lehigh Valley adults experiencing language, education, and employment barriers. TLC has been providing educational programs that help Lehigh Valley residents improve their skills since 1977. During the past forty-three years, over 30,000 adults have benefited from TLC's programs. To learn more, please visit www.theliteracycenter-lv.org.